

[English]

**Vacancies in AIIMS**

2991. DR. LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some temporary posts of Professor/Additional Professor/Associate Professor were advertised by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences recently;

(b) if so, the number of vacancies advertised for each of the above posts separately together with the number reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(c) whether the number of posts in reserved categories is in accordance with the reservation norms; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The number of vacancies advertised for each category of posts and reservation made for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by the AIIMS is as under:

S.No.	Category of Posts	No. of posts advertised	Reservation SC	Made for ST
1.	Professors	27	Nil	Nil
2.	Additional Professor	14	Nil	Nil
3.	Associate Professor	17	Nil	Nil

(c) and (d) It has been reported by AIIMS that reservation for faculty posts is at present being made at the entry level i.e. the level of Assistant Professor only.

to provide medicines and other facilities for treatment free of cost to the above mentioned patients; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Cancer Patients**

2992. SHRI A. CHARLES: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of cancer patients is on the increase in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a large percentage of the cancer patients belong to the weaker sections of the society;

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b). Reliable data regarding number of Cancer patients in the country is not available. However, it is estimated that there are about 1.5 to 2 million cancer patients in India and about half a million new cases occur annually.

(c) to (e) There is no statistical evidence to show that a large percentage of cancer patients belong to the weaker sections of the society. However, in Government hospitals, treatment is provided to cancer patients ei-

ther free or at a subsidised cost depending on the financial status of the patients.

### **Social Forestry Scheme in Kerala**

2994. SHRI T.J. ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the targets set under the Social Forestry Scheme for Kerala during the Seventh Five Year Plan had been achieved;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the names of the districts covered under the scheme during the Seventh Plan period;

(d) the targets set in the Eighth Five Year Plan for the State; and

(e) the details of the assistance sanctioned by the Union Government to Kerala for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). In the Seventh Plan period (1985-90), the target and achievement of afforestation/tree planting activities, including Social Forestry, in Kerala under the 20 Point Programme are as given below:—

<i>Target</i>	<i>Achievement</i>
<i>(Area in hectares)</i>	
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(c) The afforestation /tree planting activities under the 20 Point Programme were carried out during the Seventh Plan period in all the districts of Kerala.

(d) and (e) The afforestation /tree plant-

ing activities are proposed to be substantially expanded during the Eighth Five Year Plan, which is under finalisation.

### **Tourism Development in West Bengal**

2995. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposals from the Government of West Bengal for the development of tourism in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated and the time-frame for their completion?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Proposal for construction of tourist complex at Chalsa and Bankura, wayside facility at Burdwan, Beach Resort at Shankarpur have been received from the Govt. of West Bengal and are under consideration.

(c) For the year 1991-92, an amount of Rs. 162.45 lakhs has been earmarked as Central assistance for the Govt. of West Bengal. Normally, there is no fixed time frame for completion of the tourism projects. However, the Central Deptt. of Tourism encourages the State Govts. to complete the tourism projects at the earliest.

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### **Fixing of UGC Calendar Year**

2996. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer given on